

Libya reports quiet on border

After four days of border conflict and air raids the Libyan government of Colonel Muammar Gaddafi reported no fresh clashes with Egypt yesterday.

The official Libyan news media made no mention of Egypt's announcement that President Anwar Sadat had ordered Egyptian military operations halted on Sunday.

Algerian President Houari Boumedienne, mediating a dispute, met Gaddafi after flying in from Alexandria, where he had discussed the fighting with Sadat. Boumedienne later returned home without announcing whether Sadat and Gaddafi had agreed on a permanent truce.

The Libyan armed forces meanwhile reported that they captured three Egyptian soldiers on Sunday from an Egyptian force which attacked the Libyan oasis of Al-Jaghoub.

The attacking force was wiped out and Libyan forces suffered no casualties, a military spokesman said.

The clashes erupted last Thursday with a night-hour clash involving tanks and jet fighters. It climaxed a four-year feud between Sadat and Gaddafi.

On Sunday, Egypt said it had smashed two key airfields and two radar stations in a day of massive bombing raids. But Libya's official news agency said it had crushed the invasion.

The agency yesterday quoted a military spokesman as saying, "our popular forces managed to repel and annihilate the invading forces in the oasis of Jaghoub" located about 40 km inside Libya.

Egypt said early yesterday that paratroopers had hit Jaghoub to "attack saboteur camps," but withdrew when Sadat issued his cease-fire order.

The Libyans claimed 14 Egyptian planes had been shot down during the day — six Sukhoi-20 ground attack fighters, four Mirage jets, two MIG-21s and two long-range Tupolev bombers.

"Our air force downed two Egyptian Mirages during a dog fight with Egyptian planes attacking the Kufra oasis," Libya said.

The official Libyan agency said it regretted the losses caused to the Egyptian air force, "which should have been used to smash the Zionist enemy which occupies Arab lands and challenges Arab will."

It said, "It is now clear that the enemy wants to occupy Libyan territory by force."

The Libyans also said an Egyptian pilot shot down over Libya on Sunday has charged Sadat is an "agent" of Washington and Israel who is dooming his pilots "to hell" by ordering attacks on his Arab neighbor.

The Libyan news agency said Lt. Col. Abdel Hamid Ifat made the remarks in a message to his "fellow Egyptian air force pilots," but did not say how the message was transmitted.

Earlier the agency reported Ifat had "confessed" that he had taken off for the bombing mission from a Sudanese air base, and claimed this proved Sudan had joined the Egyptian "aggression."

"The enemy of the Arab nation and the agent of America and Israel, Sadat is dooming Egyptian pilots to hell, and ordering them to strike with rockets that have no mercy," the

captured pilot was quoted as saying. Egypt planned the attack on Libya last year, and decided to move after a bid for reconciliation with Moscow failed last month, a Beirut newsletter said yesterday.

The report said the Egyptian attacks were a "pre-emptive strike... in an attempt to have Gaddafi overthrown and to prevent Moscow from turning Libya into a jumping-off base against Egypt."

Citing "reliable diplomatic sources," the newsletter said the Moscow talks last month between the Egyptian and Soviet foreign ministers succeeded, Egypt's relations with Libya would also have warmed and that attack plans on the drawing boards since last May might have been scrapped.

The report said a strongly-worded diplomatic note distributed to Arab leaders by Moscow diplomats last May was prompted by the Soviets' learning of the planned offensive.

Egypt sharply protested the Soviet memo at the time. Libya denied that any such Soviet memo had been distributed. (Reuters, UPI, AP)

Libya complains to UN

UNITED NATIONS (UPI). — Libya complained to the Security Council yesterday that Egyptian air raids had killed a large number of civilians and destroyed hospitals and schools.

Libyan Foreign Minister Abdul Salam Treiki said Egyptian planes had caused extensive damage to five Libyan towns, Al-Jaghoub, Al-Kufra, Barbia, Tobruk and Misra'a.

"The result was a great loss of life among innocent civilians. Hospitals and schools have also been destroyed," the letter said.

Israel Shipyards 'can produce hydrofoil'

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The Israel Shipyards are "certainly capable and willing to build hydrofoil boats for the navy," the yard's general manager, Yisrael Libertovsky, told The Jerusalem Post yesterday. He was asked to comment on a New York report quoting Prime Minister Menachem Begin that the U.S. administration had promised to help Israel to build such craft.

Libertovsky said the "basic know-how" for the complex construction of hydrofoil craft was already available to the yard. He considered the main problem economical, since these craft are very expensive to build. He also said manpower is critically short. He hoped that the new government would be able to solve this problem by assuring the diversion of skilled men to the yard.

Libertovsky noted that the yard had already proved its ability to build sophisticated naval craft, with the very successful series of Reshet class missile boats. The Reshet had proved their value during the Yom Kippur war, when they sank and damaged a number of Soviet-made missile boats and other craft, operated by the Egyptian and Syrian navies, without loss to themselves, he said.

In answer to a question, he said the yard was still interested in the construction of the more advanced,

larger, faster and more powerful helicopter-bearing missile boat, with greater fire power, which has been designed by yard engineers.

Yisrael Libertovsky said: "Israel has been discussing the possibility of co-producing a hydrofoil with the U.S. for over two years, and the deal was considered closed some 11 months ago regarding the supply of the boats' platforms, though differences regarding co-production persisted."

This Carter administration, however, froze any progress on the final signing of the contract, and

suspended talks on co-production rights as soon as it took over. The hydrofoils fell into the same category as other weapons systems, such as the FLAR nightseeing system and CBU bombs, which were being "re-assessed."

Another Israel arms request which the State Department said President Jimmy Carter had approved, was for 18 Cobra attack helicopters. According to foreign reports, 12 Cobras have already arrived in Israel and have been adapted to anti-tank warfare.



The Bell-209 "Cobra" attack helicopter which Premier Menachem Begin said the U.S. has agreed to sell to Israel.

Price rises could bump defence cut to IL2.05b.

By HIRSH GOODMAN Jerusalem Post Correspondent

The IL1.4b. cut in the defence budget proposed by Defence Minister Ezer Weizman last week will amount to IL2.05b. if implemented and adjusted to the price increases. The Jerusalem Post learned yesterday.

As a result several key officials in the Ministry who were not consulted prior to the minister's decision have asked Weizman to re-assess his intention. It is expected that Weizman will

meet Finance Minister Simcha Ehrlich either today or tomorrow to discuss the cut, and to try to find ways of implementing the savings without adversely affecting the budget.

The military has yet to receive guidelines from the Defence Ministry on where to trim and save.

Sources have also noted that the cuts have become more complicated in light of the decrease in the value of the Israeli pound in relation to the dollar and the drop in the dollar in world monetary markets these past few weeks.

While it is not expected that Ehrlich and Weizman will renege on the cut, it is believed that they will announce its implementation in stages, and that the IL1.4b. will remain constant and not linked to the index and other fluctuations in the economy.

Meanwhile, it was reported yesterday that a delegation from the Defence Ministry left for Europe to review Israel's arms purchasing policy on the Continent. It is believed that Israel may decide to cancel some orders because of the proposed cut.

U.S. Israel lobbyist unhurt in bomb attack

By WOLF BLITZBERG Jerusalem Post Correspondent

ROCKVILLE, Maryland. — A bomb ripped through the home of a prominent American Jewish lobbyist yesterday, causing extensive damage. However, Morris Amitay, executive director of the American Israel Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC), his wife and three children were not injured.

The blast, which rocked this suburban Washington, D.C. neighborhood at 3:17 a.m. yesterday, was apparently the work of a professional, according to local police.

Agents of the FBI were immediately brought into the investigation as were experts from the Federal government's Alcohol, Tax and Firearms Bureau. Police said they had no suspects.

AIPAC is a registered American lobby organization that works in Congress on legislation affecting Israel. It has some 12,000 members across the U.S. who pay a minimum of \$35 per year membership fees.

Amitay, 41, is well known in Congressional, governmental, and diplomatic circles in Washington. A former legislative aide to Sen. Abraham Ribicoff (D-Conn.), Amitay has headed AIPAC since December 1974, when L.L. Kenan, AIPAC's founder, retired.

Police said that "miraculously" everyone escaped injury in the blast, which was so severe that it broke windows and pulled shingles loose from houses four or five blocks away.

The family dog was in the downstairs den and was killed. The entire right side of the house was destroyed. Upstairs bedrooms, where the family was sleeping at the time, were strewn with bricks and shingles.

A 130-metre long extension cord was found near the house. Police believe it was used to detonate the bomb. They are not releasing any other information on the type of bomb used in the explosion.

The entire area surrounding the Amitay house was roped off by

police as neighbours and reporters drove to the scene. One person who lives three blocks away said her kitchen dishes cracked under the force of the blast.

Other neighbours as far away as five blocks said the bomb had damaged their homes as well.

The most extensive damage was to the Amitay house, a two-storey split-level, where the family has lived for the past eight years.

The right wall was completely blown away, but a policeman on the scene said: "They were very, very lucky."

Police were on the scene within minutes following the explosion. The Amitays managed to walk outside uninjured. The family includes his wife Sybil, 38, sons Michael, 14, and Steven, 12, and a daughter, Cheryl, 9. Amitay declined to talk to reporters yesterday.

Obviously there is concern that his house was the target of the bomb because of his pro-Israel lobbying activities. But police said yesterday they had no hard evidence leading to suspects.

Police were taking special security precautions at AIPAC's downtown Washington, D.C. headquarters as well as at other Jewish offices yesterday.

Local Jewish leaders here expressed shock and concern over the incident which they fear may be the start of a new wave of terror.

Amitay, a frequent visitor to Israel, was in Jerusalem earlier this month for consultations with Prime Minister Begin and other Jewish leaders. Last week he was in New York for a meeting with Begin and with top American Jewish leaders.



Premier Begin's three grandchildren greet him joyously at Ben-Gurion airport yesterday — and beam at the cameraman. (Israel Sun)

Peres blames Likud in row over leak

By ASHER WALLFISH and JOHUA BRILLIANT Jerusalem Post Reporters

Opposition leader Shimon Peres yesterday accused the Likud government of responsibility for unprecedented tensions between the administration and the legislature.

He strongly rejected Prime Minister Menachem Begin's accusation that opposition members in the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee helped the Arabs by leaking to the press details of the plan to be submitted to U.S. President Jimmy Carter.

At his airport press conference, Prime Minister Begin dwelt at length on the alleged leak from the committee, calling it a "phenomenon of irresponsibility" and vowing that "we shall learn the lesson."

There had been elements in the peace-making proposals which he had specifically asked President Carter to keep secret (apparently Israel's willingness to cede large areas of Sinai and the Golan Heights) — and here were opposition members of the Knesset committee trumpeting the proposals to the Arabs in flagrant contravention of the pledge of secrecy which all committee members must give.

During 28 years in opposition his own party had never once betrayed the confidences of the committee, Begin said.

Peres and Yitzhak Navon, former Chairman of the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee, noted that details of the plan submitted to Carter were published in the press before the committee members learned about them in a meeting with Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan.

"The Prime Minister would have done better to order an investigation among the Cabinet members rather than to cast baseless accusations on the Knesset Foreign Affairs and

Defence Committee," Peres said.

Begin's criticism "borders on incitement," Navon told the Alignment Knesset faction last night.

Navon noted that at least three "very interesting details about concrete meetings with various people" were disclosed in the committee meeting which discussed the government's proposal, and they would have made a much better leak to the media than the proposed plan presented to Carter. This, he said, was added proof that the leak did not come from committee circles.

MK Yossi Sarid said Begin launched his attack to cover up the fact that the leak came from government circles.

Alignment leaders complained that Begin was retaliating against the committee by refusing to brief the panel on his U.S. visit before the Knesset discussed the trip tomorrow morning.

Peres said yesterday he did not remember "a government which in so short a time reached such tensions and disorganization in its relations with the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee."

He noted that Begin did not present his plan before going to the U.S., although he had been asked to do so.

Knesset procedures stipulate the committee may demand that the minister involved supply information about issues which fall under his jurisdiction and the minister or his delegate must supply them.

But Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan revealed the government's proposals to the committee members only an hour before Begin showed them to Carter, he complained.

Navon said that if Begin had wanted to maintain top secrecy on the document's contents, he could still have summoned Peres to report to him, just as Alignment leaders had

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DMC again postpones coalition debate

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Council of the Democratic Movement for Change yesterday cancelled its meeting scheduled for tomorrow to avoid a clash over the issue of joining the government coalition.

Council members were persuaded, last Wednesday to put off a debate on the matter until a special meeting tomorrow. But the Council's president, Dr. Israel Katz, said yesterday

it was postponed again "at Council members' request."

The next meeting, in a week's time, may be called on to vote on the issue, rather than merely debate it or discuss conditions, observers said.

A decision to join, however, would entail another two or three meetings to choose delegates to the cabinet.

The DMC-Likud negotiating teams meanwhile may next meet in a day or two.

Libyan boy cured in Jerusalem

Jerusalem Post Reporter

A seven-year-old Libyan boy recently returned to Jerusalem where he was treated two years ago for a hereditary skin disease which confined him to a wheelchair. He is now healthy and is walking, after treatment with a special ointment worked out by an Israeli doctor.

The boy was born with skin twice the usual thickness on his hands and feet. After a while the skin began to crack and the boy could not walk because of ingrained infections that penetrated into his bloodstream.

His father — who holds a senior education post in Libya — could not find doctors in Libya and Europe who could treat the disease. The European doctors recommended that the boy go to Israel for treatment. The boy arrived in Israel with

his father and was immediately placed under the treatment of Professor Ya'acov Shanon of Bikur Holim hospital in Jerusalem.

After two months of treatment with the ointment prepared by Prof. Shanon, the serious infections in the feet started to disappear.

The boy returned with his father to Libya. He continued using Shanon's ointment which was sent by roundabout ways to his home. The infections gradually became less acute and the boy started to walk.

The boy recently returned to Israel, standing on his own two feet. Prof. Shanon is convinced that this disease and infections have been wiped out but the father, just in case, has packed more than a kilogramme of Shanon's ointment in his luggage in preparation for returning home.

U.S. husbands reportedly arranged for 14 Syrian Jewish brides

BEIRUT (UPI). — A long-distance arranged marriage of 14 Syrian Jewish girls to Americans was celebrated in a ceremony at one of Syria's 36 synagogues on July 1, the French-language Beirut newspaper "Le Reveil" reported yesterday.

The undated report said American Rabbi Steven Shlomo negotiated the marriages with Syrian authorities during a recent trip to Damascus.

Syrian president Hafez Assad authorized the marriage and the emigration of the newlywed girls to the U.S. to meet their husbands, the newspaper said, and quoted Assad as telling Shlomo that "This is a gift I will make to President Carter."

The ceremony was attended by large numbers of Syria's 3,500-

strong Jewish community, headed by Selim Totah, the 93-year-old dean of the community.

The "Le Reveil" report said that contrary to Israeli propaganda, the Jewish community in Damascus was enjoying freedom, with a special Syrian government department dealing with any complaints about alleged harassment.

The girls are now awaiting formalities for their departure to the U.S.

The report said that in the event the brides are not compatible with their American husbands, they will be divorced in accordance with Jewish religious laws.

The newspaper did not identify any of the girls or their husbands.

On return from Washington Begin: 'I ended confrontation with the U.S.'

By DAVID LANDAU POST Diplomatic Correspondent

Prime Minister Menachem Begin returned from the U.S. yesterday claiming that he had succeeded in dispelling "the very serious confrontation between the U.S. and the State of Israel" that the previous government had brought on.

He also attacked Opposition members of the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee, at an airport press conference, for leaking his peace proposals to the press before he could present them to President Carter.

His accusation immediately sparked a major political row — the first under the new government — with Labour Party Leader Shimon Peres angrily rebutting them in a speech to his Knesset faction.

The controversy, both over the substance of Mr. Begin's peace strategy and over his leak charges, promises to come to a head in the Knesset tomorrow when the Prime Minister will lead off a debate on his talks in Washington.

It was his new approach to Middle East peace-making that had made it possible to end the confrontation with the U.S., Begin explained to the assembled journalists at Ben-Gurion Airport.

Unlike the previous government, he did not seek Israeli-U.S. agreement on the key substantive issues before entering into negotiations with the Arabs. Israel was now proposing that the Geneva Conference be reconvened without prior conditions or prior undertakings being demanded or given by any of the parties — and the U.S. had accepted this call.

The Rabbinic government had made "a serious mistake" in pursuing a U.S.-Israel substantive understanding before embarking on talks with the Arab states, Begin said. That policy might have been reasonable had the U.S. shown any sign of agreeing even to the "Allon Plan." But it never had. It maintained its consistent position favouring a withdrawal to the 1947-1948 lines.

Thus, by seeking a consensus with

Washington the previous government had in effect "invited pressure." And by the same token, his own government, said Begin, by forgoing the need for prior agreement with the U.S., was lessening the possibility of pressure and confrontation.

Begin said that from reading the manuscripts of the talks between President Carter and former Premier Yitzhak Rabin earlier this year he knew that those talks had been "very tough indeed."

He heaped scorn on Labour critics who asserted that the confrontation with Washington had only been delayed, not avoided, by his visit. Neither he nor President Carter had attempted to conceal the very real substantive differences between them, he said. But they had solemnly agreed that these differences would "not lead to a breach between our two states."

The personal "rapport" which he had attained with Carter had been one of the main achievements of his trip, the Prime Minister asserted. A "personal bond of friendship" had been forged between them "perhaps something even deeper than that."

Begin waxed enthusiastic in his praise for the U.S. President whom he termed: "an extraordinary personality of our time." He (Begin) had worked in the proximity of Ze'ev Jabotinsky (founder of the Revisionist Zionist Movement) for eight years, and so he was not easily impressed. "But I was deeply impressed by the very unique personality" of President Carter.

He enumerated Carter's salient qualities: "a good heart — which our Sages particularly esteem, remarkable intelligence, a lightning grasp of the essence of an issue, and the capability of taking decisions."

Begin was convinced that Carter would "go down in history as one of the greatest American presidents," and that the Free World could look forward to "a great and important period" under his leadership.

He recounted proudly that the President had suggested they confer frequently and informally by telephone, in writing and through

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Labour: Begin dodged the tough questions

By JOHUA BRILLIANT Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

Alignment leaders claimed yesterday that the Likud was misleading the public to believe that Prime Minister Menachem Begin had reached an understanding with U.S. President Jimmy Carter.

Labour's chairman, Shimon Peres, told the Alignment Knesset faction meeting that Carter had detailed his concepts about the nature of peace before Begin went to Washington: he favours a "bomeland" and an Israeli withdrawal from nearly all the territories occupied in the Six Day War.

"Carter said in the White House that he had not changed his views. So what happened? Did Carter agree with Begin or did Begin agree with Carter," Peres asked.

Some Alignment members said that Begin had approached some of their positions. Yossi Sarid cited Begin's readiness to cede "substantial" parts of Sinai. But Amos Hadar argued that these were tactical moves and that Begin had not changed his views.

Peres and other leaders criticized Begin for agreeing to go to Geneva before Israel and the U.S. reached a common understanding. This would arouse exaggerated expectations, Peres said.

Some speakers argued that postponing the confrontation with Washington until the Geneva conference might harm Israel, because then it would also be facing the Arabs and the Russians.

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Military parade set for Independence Day — Begin

By MALKA RABINOWITZ Jerusalem Post Correspondent

NEW YORK. — Israel will mark Independence Day next year with a military parade in Jerusalem, the first since 1973. Prime Minister Menachem Begin announced the parade plan at a meeting here on Sunday night with some 300 members of the Israeli community.

The meeting took place at the Waldorf shortly before the Premier and his party prepared to fly back home after a 10-day visit. Present were Jewish Agency emissaries and employees of the Israel government and public agencies.

Begin also announced he would step down after a four-year term to devote himself to writing a book about the Jewish struggle for independence. The Premier, who was awarded a warm reception, told his audience he appreciated the good work done here but felt the number of emissaries should be cut down. Those who came should do so on two-year stints, during which they would concentrate on teaching Hebrew as part of an effort to break the trend towards assimilation.

Earlier in the day, the Premier told a joint delegation of the Reform and Conservative movements that he was personally committed to a proposal to amend the "Who's a Jew" law and that he intended to carry out his pledge to Agudat Yisrael to seek a majority for the legislation.

The non-Orthodox movements object to the proposed amendment as a threat to the legitimacy of their conversion procedures.

At the same time, Begin noted that his own party did not unanimously

back the bill and that support would therefore be sought across party lines. He said he would not introduce the legislation unless it was assured a majority of 61 votes.

The Premier said he had been unaware of the compromise worked out in 1970 which resulted in the omission of the words "according to Halacha" from an amendment to the Law of Return adopted that year.

The compromise was worked out with the then Prime Minister Golda Meir after talks with Conservative and Reform spokesmen and was reportedly agreed to by the late NRP leader Haim Shapira.

A second delegation composed exclusively of Conservative leaders put forward in more general terms the movement's wish for equal rights in Israel.

The Premier reportedly indicated respect and interest in the movement, but did not respond in substantive terms to their request, although he urged greater ally.

Leading the group, Dr. Gerson Cohen, chancellor of the Jewish Theological Seminary, noted that the absence of equal status for the Conservatives constituted a barrier to increasing ally.

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SOCIAL & PERSONAL

Canadian Senate majority leader Raymond Perrault yesterday called on Knesset Speaker Yitzhak Shnir, accompanied by Michael Bell, first secretary in the Canadian embassy in Tel Aviv.

Finance Minister Simha Ehrlich yesterday met with the Israeli Bond staff delegation at his office.

Dancers Galina and Valery Panov have been honoured by the organization of Women Friends of the Hebrew University with the award of a student scholarship in their name. The Panovs yesterday attended a birthday celebration for the organization's president, Florence Dvorsky, at Belgium House on the Givat Ram campus, where 18 scholarships — "chai" — were awarded by the group in Mrs. Dvorsky's honour.

Shimon Horn was recently elected chairman of the board of directors of the Carmel Bank.

Prof. Herzl Shmueli, head of the musicology department in the Tel Aviv University, has been elected dean of the university's Fine Arts Faculty replacing Prof. Moshe Lazar who is going on a two-year sabbatical.

A reception was held yesterday at the U.S. Cultural Centre in Jerusalem in honour of its new director, Daniel Scherr. He is replacing Andrew Schlesinger, who is returning to Washington after four years of service.

Yugoslav delegation

BEN-GURION AIRPORT (Itim). — A five-member delegation of senior Yugoslav officials arrived here yesterday for a week's visit as guests of the Citrus Marketing Board. The board's managing director, Zvi Kenan, refused to give reporters details on the visit, saying it was a "private" one.

30,000 pupils employed

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter
An estimated 30,000 high school pupils will have been gainfully employed this summer in jobs arranged by the Labour Ministry's Youth Employment Exchange. Deputy Minister Yoram Aridor told the Knesset yesterday. Most of them, he said, have been referred to jobs "in the various production branches."

Aridor was replying to a parliamentary question by Shoshana Arkhi-Almozino (Alignment-Labour).

With deep sorrow we announce the death of our beloved mother and grandmother,

JOLI RONA

The funeral will take place at the Kiryat Tivon cemetery at 3.30 p.m. today, July 26, 1977.

A bus will leave from our home at 7 Rehov Kidron, Haifa, at 2.15 p.m.

Peter, Mira, Michael and Irit Rona, and this family

On the thirtieth day after the death of my dear wife

BRURIA KOGAN

there will be a memorial service and tombstone unveiling tomorrow, Wednesday, July 27, 1977, at 4.00 p.m., in Herzliya cemetery.

Transport for those participating will leave from the Rama Cinema at 3.30 p.m.

Aharon Kogan

The unveiling of the tombstone and a memorial service for our beloved

BARRY HERBERT

will be held at his grave at the Kfar Samir cemetery, Haifa, on Thursday, July 28, 1977 at 12 noon.

The Family

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SHLOMO HOFSTADTER (Hof)

The Family in Israel

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BENYAMIN H. COHEN

The funeral took place on July 25, 1977.
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Kupat Holim charges IL1 for prescriptions

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Kupat Holim starting this morning will charge a nominal fee of IL1 for every prescription the first time it has charged for medicines since it was founded in 1911.

In announcing this yesterday, Prof. Haim Doron, chairman of the sick fund, said that "although the funds we collect are an important factor, our main hope is to reduce the number of medicines picked up and never used."

He said Israel's downed five times as much medicine as patients in most other countries. One result was that about 30 per cent of all the patients in the internal medicine departments were there — because they had taken too much medicine, or the wrong medicine.

Doron promised that doctors will be instructed on how to properly prescribe drugs: "We will make surveys of the clinics to see that our instructions are being carried out, and we will try to educate the public not to gobble down medicines indiscriminately."

Those exempt from the IL1 fee are children under the age of three; persons suffering from certain illnesses, such as Parkinson's disease, who formerly had to pay 50 per cent of the cost of the drug; emergency patients of any age; and persons injured in work accidents.

Moreover, the present charge for "bottles" will be abolished: Elderly patients and social welfare cases will be charged the IL1 fee — but will be able to claim it back from the respective authorities who handle their cases; Patients suffering from chronic diseases who need to take drugs throughout the year will be charged the IL1 only once — but not for refills of the drug.

Prof. Doron noted that Kupat Holim spends about IL400m. a year for drugs. The IL1 fee would bring in about IL50m. a year. Another IL35m. or more would be saved by prescribing fewer drugs. He called on the government to accept Kupat Holim patients "without any payment whatsoever" in government hospitals. Doron said Kupat Holim sends 55 per cent of all its patients to its own hospitals — and the remaining 45 per cent to government hospitals. This has cost Kupat Holim IL15m. this year and IL38m. in 1976.

Moreover, the government is not only raising fees for hospitalization it provides for Kupat Holim patients, but it also is cutting down grants it gives to sick funds.

In Jerusalem, Finance Minister Simha Ehrlich said he will ask the Histadrut to increase members' dues in Kupat Holim. He told the Ministerial Economic Committee yesterday his request was based on estimates that the labour federation's sick fund will be faced with a IL4,000m. deficit this year.

In a related move, approval was given for the government's underwriting of IL50m. in "linkage insurance" for loans the Histadrut — and other sick funds — negotiate with commercial banks. This arrangement, subject to final approval by the Knesset Finance Committee, means the Histadrut will pay the government a 14 per cent premium for the linkage insurance, plus 7.5 interest for 20 years on the loans they obtain from the banks.

Ehrlich also disclosed he will ask the State Comptroller to check the sick funds routinely, since they receive part of their financing from official sources.

Map shows where the poor (and rich) are

By MARSHA POMERANTZ

Jerusalem Post Reporter
North Bnei Brak is the most "comfortable" neighbourhood in Israel, — and Southern Beit Shean is the most impoverished.

These findings emerge from the first (albeit partial) socio-economic map of the country, developed by the office of the Prime Minister's Adviser on Social Betterment in cooperation with the Hebrew University's geography department.

The map and accompanying tables, spread over 239 pages was presented to the press in Jerusalem yesterday by the adviser, Baruch Levy, and Dr. Yehoshua Cohen, who developed this method for classifying neighbourhoods by objective socio-economic criteria.

Basing the criteria on data from the Central Bureau of Statistics population and housing census of 1973, Cohen developed indicators to describe individuals and households within the neighbourhood.

These figures take into consideration economic dependence, country of origin, occupation, income, family size, housing density, and other characteristics.

The 46 cities and towns studied are divided into statistical areas (as for the census) and ranked on both a city-wide and nationwide basis.

The purpose of such ranking is to provide planners of social services on both the local and national level with an objective picture of priority areas.

Cohen said he chose "arbitrarily" to consider the top 10 per cent of the scale "well off," the bottom 20 per cent "disadvantaged," and the rest "in between." Maps of each town are shaded only according to those three categories, though the "disadvantaged" category, for instance, expresses a very wide range of variation.

The general pattern, he found, was a concentration of the wealthy in the Dan Region around Tel Aviv, but a scattering of pockets of poverty in most cities around the country.

Levy said all ministers in fields related to social services would be briefed on how to use the map. He hoped it would affect not only policy on priorities but also the organization of services in the Ministry of Social Betterment that is to be set up in the next few weeks.

Timetable set for PLO pullback

SEITOURA, Lebanon (Reuters). — Senior Lebanese, Syrian and Palestinian leaders met here yesterday and approved a detailed time table for enforcing the 1969 Cairo accord on the Palestinian presence in Lebanon. The details of the time-table have not yet been officially disclosed, but according to Paksigouni, "armed men" would all pack to 15 kilometres from the Israeli border.

where Lebanese forces will be stationed.

Medium and heavy weapons will be collected from Palestinian camps, and military police of the PLO and the Arab force will be responsible for defending the camps.

In other parts of Lebanon, the Palestinians will be required to stay in their camps.

PLO invited to open office in Ethiopia

BEIRUT (Reuters). — Ethiopian leader Mengistu Haile-Marjam, in an interview published here yesterday, called on the Palestine Liberation Organization to open an office in his country.

Answering questions posed by the leftist weekly magazine "Al-Horriyah," Mengistu proposed that the office be located "on the site of the former Israel Embassy so that a dialogue may be initiated between us."

Commenting on Ethiopia's policy towards Palestinians, he said: "Ever since the revolution's victory we have had no relations at all with Israel."

"Our stand is firm and is constantly developing against Zionism, imperialism and local reactionaries... In any case rest assured that the Ethiopian people support you in your bitter struggle," he told his interviewer in Addis Ababa.

'Immunity' passport for Flatto-Sharon

Jerusalem Post Political Reporter
MK Samuel Flatto-Sharon today will receive a passport assuring him diplomatic immunity, but he said he will not test it by going to France, where an extradition request has been filed against him stemming from charges of embezzlement.

Flatto-Sharon told The Jerusalem Post that in the meantime he will go "everywhere but France." His attorney, however, will go to France next month, Flatto-Sharon said, and if a settlement is reached with the authorities there, he will go himself in two or three months to sign it.

Lebanese tomatoes

KIRYAT SHMONA (Itim). — A consignment of tomatoes was the first agricultural produce exported from south Lebanese villages through the new "Good Fence" gate that has been opened north of Kibbutz Dan. The tomatoes were sent today to the Tuva branch in Kiryat Shmona. They will be followed soon by truckloads of eggplants, onions and grapes.



Pedro Weinstein (right) and Oseio Castro, both from Latin America, join the local guard at Meshav She'ar Yashuv in Upper Galilee on Sunday night. Their stint was part of the "Galilee Day" operation of the World Young Leadership Mission of Keren Hayesod-United Israel Appeal. Families in 30 northern settlements were overnight hosts to 250 mission participants.

High school fee increase held down to 26 per cent

By MARSHA POMERANTZ

Jerusalem Post Reporter
The maximum high school tuition fee for 1977/78 will be IL2,050, for grade 10. The Education Ministry announced yesterday. The figure represents an increase of about 26 per cent over last year's fee.

The full fee for grade 10 will be IL2,484; for grade 11, IL2,517. Tuition fees will continue to be graduated at 20 steps of 5 per cent, depending on the family's ability to pay.

The announcement about high school fees followed the decision Sunday night by the Navon committee to set university fees at a maximum of IL2,300 for students whose tuition is paid by an employer or other institution, and IL2,350 for all others.

Since the government had decided in principle that high school fees must be lower than university fees, the Education Ministry could not raise high school fees by the 35 per cent reportedly planned.

Even the 35 per cent hike would not have covered the increase in costs, estimated at over 45 per cent for the past year. The current rise in fees is just over half of the increase in costs to the ministry, leaves about IL50m. in the budget for the ministry to cover.

Of all students in grades 9 through 12 last year, only about 26 per cent paid the full fee, according to a ministry official. About one third paid partial fees, averaging around half, and 41 per cent — including all students of the compulsory grade 9 — were exempt from tuition fees.

The decision to raise high school fees by only 26 per cent, made with apparent reluctance by Education Minister Zevulun Hammer, skims a

hit more off a budget which ministry officials claim is already "cutting into the bone."

Last week's across-the-board budget cuts of 3 per cent from each ministry (excluding salaries) requires the Education Ministry to cut about IL50m. from the operating budget and IL13.5m. from the development budget, The Jerusalem Post learned.

Reading to Hammer's announcement, the Knesset Education Committee rejected the rise on hoc, and charged that the minister and the government had made fools of the Knesset body.

An Education Committee resolution accused Hammer of refusing to come before the committee to discuss the issue and refusing to wait until the committee completed its deliberations and proposals on the fee.

LEA LEVAVI reports from Tel Aviv that the National Parents' Association objects to the fact that high school tuition fees were raised without consulting them. They had been promised a meeting with the minister to discuss the question, but the meeting was never held, they said.

"In the past, we were always full partners in setting tuition rates," said Rachel Gavish, executive secretary of the association. "We always look a responsible stand."

The parents' stand on the size of the tuition fees after the fact will be decided only after they meet this morning with Eliezer Shmueli, director-general of the Education Ministry. The meeting was arranged earlier to deal with other subjects. But now that the fee problem has arisen, it will be discussed at the meeting.

Aloni charges pressure to turn schools religious

By LEA LEVAVI

Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Efforts are being made to turn secular schools in Ashdod, Dimona and elsewhere into religious schools, Citizens Rights Movement MK Shlomo Aloni charges in a letter he sent recently to Labour Party leader Shimon Peres. She asked Peres, as "leader of the largest party in the liberal, humanist, Zionist camp," to organize a meeting of educators to plan ways to stem the religious tide.

The letter did not give specific examples, but Aloni did provide some when the chairman of the Ashdod parents' association said her statement about his town's educational system was "new" to him.

She said parents who had registered their children in a particular kindergarten were being persuaded to change to a religious kindergarten since the religious kindergarten in the area did not have enough pupils registered.

In Dimona, Mrs. Aloni charged, three classes from a religious school were being brought into a secular school.

An official in the Ashdod municipal education department, who did not

wish to be identified, denied the charges and said no parent had been forced or persuaded to change his child's registration.

He explained that the kindergarten had been a secular pre-kindergarten. But as religious parents had moved into the area, and as the municipality must provide compulsory kindergarten but need not offer pre-kindergarten, the facility had been turned into a religious compulsory kindergarten.

There is a secular compulsory kindergarten no more than 150 metres away, the source added.

In Dimona, the chairman of the parents' association at the secular school, Uri Tamari, said he would not comment on Aloni's statement, as he wanted the matter solved quietly.

"All I will say is that I want my child's school to remain secular," he said, adding that he thinks there is room for the three religious classes in the religious school which borders his neighbourhood.

Dimona mayor Armand Laredo said that those who want to fish for political capital in cleavage between the religious and the non-religious should do so outside Dimona. "This is not the first time children from two educational systems have learned in the same building temporarily," he said, noting that the arrangement is only until the neighbourhood's new religious school is completed next year.

An Education Ministry official branded Aloni's charges "ridiculous."

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consulted Begin on several occasions.

Prof. Moshe Arens (Likud), chairman of the Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee, said yesterday that the committee would be determining its own authority if its members failed to observe their pledge to observe secrecy with regard to its proceedings.

The Alignment's Haim Zadok commented that part of the Begin proposals had already been leaked to the press before the committee got the details from Dayan. The first leak must have come from some cabinet minister, Zadok said.

Zadok said that when he served as justice minister in the last Cabinet he tried hard to stop the practices of ministers leaking information to journalists, but had failed.

Some of the Likud men on the committee defended Begin on the grounds that he had been much too pressed for time before his trip to be able to come along in person and present the documents containing his proposals. They said that the respect which Begin had for the parliamentary process was guaranteed that in future he would make sure the committee was briefed on time.

David Landau added: Begin does not intend to ask the members of the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee to undergo the lie-detector test to find out who leaked his peace proposals to the

press. This was not the meaning, according to a close aide, of the Premier's veiled threat that "we shall learn the lesson of this irresponsible phenomenon."

Begin's predecessor Yitzhak Rabin resorted to the lie-detector (polygraph) on a number of occasions during his term of office to establish whether senior officials were leaking classified information. But Begin has no such designs, his Political Secretary Yehiel Kadishai told The Jerusalem Post last night.

What the Premier meant, Kadishai indicated, was that the government would now consider being more careful in its supply of delicate or secret information to the committee, in view of the proven porosity of its sessions.

Kadishai rejected the argument, advanced by Peres, that the committee was entitled under the Rules of the House to receive and review all such information. The Rules only entitled the committee to debate defence matters, the aide asserted. They gave the government a measure of discretion as to how and when to provide information to the committee.

The Premier did not necessarily imply that information would actually be withheld, Kadishai explained, but rather that it would be delayed for longer than might otherwise have been the case in order to lessen the risk of leaks.

Approval expected today for electricity rate hike

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

The Knesset Finance Committee is expected today to approve the Electric Corporation's request to increase rates by 10 a gross per kilowatt-hour. The request already has government sanction and would go into effect August 1.

The raise will mean that while domestic consumption will become 25 per cent more costly, the rate for pumping water will go up 37 per cent — with rates for agriculture and industry ranging between those percentages.

Changes which the corporation wants to introduce include the cancellation of the minimum flat rate, and the calculation of the bill without regard to the number of rooms in the apartment, as at present. Since January 1976, electricity rates have gone up 90 per cent, the Finance Committee was told. As of now, the corporation is running a deficit of some IL35m. — half on fuel and half on operations. The increase in rates would cut this deficit by some IL452m., but another IL33m. would still remain, corporation officials told the Committee.

Adi Amori (Alignment) pointed out, however, that the real deficit would have been IL1h. more were it not for the subsidy on the heavy fuel used by the power stations.

Amori also objected strongly to the system of payment according to rooms being replaced by one stan-

dard payment per home unit.

Avraham Sharir (Likud-Liberal) demanded that the corporation stop supplying unlimited current to its employees at the price of 0.3 a gross per kw/h. Sharir charged that this encouraged waste, used up valuable foreign currency, and created an intolerable social discrimination.

Sharir said the 8,000 employees of the corporation consumed some 80 million kw/h. and that their consumption per family member was some 500 kw/h per month. Sharir said the virtually free current was costing the corporation IL23m. annually in unearned income and another IL5m. which is paid to the income tax authorities in lieu of the employees.

Amori challenged Sharir, arguing that the current allowance for employees was a form of wage, and that no Knesset Committee had the right to interfere in wage relations. Amori said that as long as the income tax for the current was paid, the Finance Committee had no case.

Sharir was also challenged by a fellow Liberal in the Knesset, Shmuel Reibman, who said that neither the Likud bloc nor its Liberal wing had discussed the issue of current for corporation employees and he would fight any plan to cancel the privilege. The wage-earners get similar benefits with their jobs, he said, so why not Electric Corporation employees?

MKs want Jaffa Maccabi captain 'barred for life' from football

Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter

At the Knesset Education Committee session yesterday Chairman Aharon Yadin and member Yosef Sarid demanded that Jaffa Maccabi Captain Moshe Leon be barred from playing soccer for life.

Sarid said Leon's behaviour in Yugoslavia during a European Inter-toto match against Wojvodina last Saturday night, "has done great damage to Israel's international prestige in sport."

Leon was due to return last night following the decision of the leader of the Jaffa Maccabi contingent, Arle Kramer, and the Football Association to summon him home.

The F.A. secretariat, after con-

sultation with its legal adviser, decided yesterday to suspend Leon from international soccer and friendly games abroad pending an inquiry into the case.

Leon refused to leave the field when ordered to do so by the referee in the 26th minute of play, resulting in stoppage of the game and the award of a 3:0 victory to the Yugoslavs.

In another development, the Committee resolved yesterday that Israel should fight to stay in the European soccer framework and not join the Oceania group.

"The idea of Israel being in Oceania is absurd and should be stifled at birth," Yadin said.

Bills would ease load of courts

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

Two bills designed to take some of the load off the country's five district courts by empowering the magistrate's courts to deal with certain additional matters were yesterday referred by the Knesset to the Constitution, Legislation and Law Committee.

The first bill would raise the ceiling on claims that the magistrate's courts may hear from IL50,000 to 100,000, and in general empower the justice minister — with the approval of the committee — to adjust the ceiling in accordance with the

fluctuations of the pound.

The second would empower the magistrate's courts to deal with cases of theft by break-in.

Both bills had been tabled by the previous government.

The House also referred to the same committee a third bill, which would empower any district court in the country to declare judgments issued abroad against Israeli citizens enforceable here. Under the present law, only the Jerusalem District Court may do so. This bill had also been tabled by the previous government.

El Al cabin crews get 9% pay hike

Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEN-GURION AIRPORT. — A labour contract providing pay increases of up to nine per cent, retroactive to April 1976, was signed yesterday by El Al and representatives of the 700-member Stewards Union.

The contract runs until April 1978, and "it will bring labour peace to El Al until then — and we hope still longer," El Al press officer Amikam Evenbel said yesterday.

El Al recently had to cancel

several flights to Mexico after the cabin crews had made new demands. The agreement, which is in line with the tax reforms recommended last year by the Ben-Shahar Committee, also cuts the crews' foreign currency allowance by 25 per cent — in the future, the crews will receive the equivalent in local currency.

Any pay raise in salary under the contract commencing in April 1978 (which still has to be negotiated) will not automatically bring about a similar increase in the foreign currency allowance.

Tennis juniors beat Belgium, tie for third in Galea Cup

By JACK LEON

Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Israel's tennis juniors on Sunday scored a fine 2-2 victory over Belgium in the 32nd annual Galea Cup competition at Montecatini, Italy, leaving Israel tied for third place with Canada.

The match was to decide the final placings at the Montecatini meet, one of the cup's four semi-final groups, after Israel had been beaten 4-1 by Italy in its first tie, and eliminated from the competition.

Representing Israel in this 40-nation "Junior Davis Cup" for boys of 20 and under, were Shlomo Gluckstein, Ian Sherr and Shai Puni. The first two were also in the team which defeated Belgium 3-2 in 1975, when Israel made its bow in the competition in a preliminary round and won

Labour urging Gur to tackle Lahat at polls

By SARAH HONIG
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Still desperate to find a candidate who would challenge Tel Aviv Mayor Shlomo Lahat in next spring's municipal elections, the Labour Alignment is reportedly attempting to enlist the Chief of Staff, Rav-Aluf Mordechai Gur, for the mission. Gur is expected to retire from the army next year, under the IDF's rotation system for senior officers.

The Jerusalem Post has reliably learned from both Alignment and Likud sources that Gur had been approached on the matter and although he had not yet given his answer, the Alignment now considers him its most hopeful prospect.

Another sought-after would-be candidate, UN Ambassador Chaim Herzog, has this week again rejected Labour's offer. He had done so many times in the past, particularly before the recent Knesset elections, when it was thought that local and national elections might be scheduled simultaneously.

The Alignment is also reported to have appealed to Aluf (Res.) Yehayim Gavish, deputy director general of the Koor Histadrut-owned conglomerate to head its list. Gavish is also reported to have turned down the offer.

Alignment sources also mentioned the names of Ben Gurion University president Yosef Teichman and of former deputy Mayor Ariel Amir, both of whom had in the past refused the nomination. The sources also note that there are now many "unemployed" Alignment government ministers residing in the Tel Aviv area who could be called upon to oppose the Likud's popular incumbent, Mayor Lahat.

A potential mayoral candidate's

place of residence is important in this case, because the law requires that he must have lived in the city in which he wishes to run for at least six months prior to the election. Rav-Aluf Gur does meet the residency requirement, being a neighbour of Mayor Lahat in the Afeka section of Tel Aviv. Gur's term as Chief of Staff is due to end in April and the elections will probably be held on May 8, 1978.

The Likud is reportedly not worried at the prospects of Gur's candidacy. The party's confidence is boosted by a public opinion survey commissioned before the last Knesset elections in which Lahat's chances were pitted against a range of potential challengers. According to the survey, in a contest with Gur, Lahat would win nearly 50 per cent of the vote, while Gur would emerge with less than 30 per cent. Teichman, according to the survey, has a better chance than Gur.

Labour's search for a candidate has therefore taken on new urgency. The seven-member committee, which since early last spring had been trying to find a candidate, is now determined to pick one within a month.

The committee members — Yehoshua Rabinowitz, Gad Ya'acobi, Elyahu Speizer, Dov Ben-Meir, Ora Namir, Shraga Kantor and Nathan Wallach — plan to meet with Labour party chairman Shimon Peres and head of the local elections headquarters, Shlomo Eliezer, to impress upon them the need to find a candidate soon.

Tel Aviv is the only one of the three large cities which is not presently under Alignment control, and hence is seen as the big prize in the coming municipal elections.



An Alpujarra carpet, one of several oriental rugs now on display at Jerusalem's Islamic Art Institute.

Rare oriental carpets go on display in Jerusalem

By HAIM SHAPIRO
Jerusalem Post Reporter

For hundreds of years they have been treasured, even more so, treated. Yet they still evidence their brilliant art work.

They are, of course, oriental carpets, popularly known as Persian carpets, and a showing of classic examples of this art is opening this evening at the J.L.A. Mayer Memorial Institute for Islamic Art in Jerusalem.

Professor Richard Ettinghausen, curator of the Islamic section of New York's Metropolitan Museum and a trustee of the Mayer Institute, explained that the carpets were common throughout the Islamic world, although Armenians and other Christians often wove them. Jews were rarely weavers, although dyeing wool for carpets was at times a Jewish craft.

Carpetmaking even reached as far as Christian Spain and the exhibition includes one such example. It also includes a rare fragment of a 19th Century Egyptian rug with a distinctive, highly stylized geometric pattern.

All the carpets in fact employ geometric patterns, with those from the Caucasus being the most rigid and angular. These also feature bold, bright colors.

Those from Iran, however, are freer and more expressive, with graceful curves and "more subtle shades. The most elaborate example is a silk carpet with silver threads.

This carpet, Ettinghausen explained, was of a type woven in Persia for European royalty. Because some of the carpets had the Polish royal coat of arms woven into them, they were at one time thought to come from

Poland and are still known as "Polonaise."

He mentioned that the "Polonaise" in the exhibition came from the collection of a Rothschild, but he was reticent about telling exactly how the museum acquired it. "Of course, we tried to find metzid (bargains)," was all he would say in reply to a question concerning the value of the carpets. He did note, however, that some of the carpets turn up in very unlikely places.

The oldest Persian carpet in existence, he mentioned, was from the 6th Century and was found frozen in Siberia in the tomb of a tribal chieftain. More recent examples have been found in Bulgarian churches.

The carpets are manufactured by knotting coloured pieces of wool or silk threads around two vertical warp threads of the loom. The horizontal weft threads are then forced down, holding the knots in place.

Ettinghausen acknowledged that small girls often did this work, as their small fingers were particularly suited for the job. But he rejected the popular image of children going blind at the loom. On the contrary, he said, as they grew and their fingers got larger, they stopped working on carpets and married. Then they in turn had children who helped produce these beautiful floor coverings.

The exhibit will be on display for at least three months. The Mayer Institute, on Rehov Hapalmach near the President's residence, is open Sunday, Monday, Tuesday and Thursday 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m., and 2 p.m.-6 p.m.; Wednesday 8:30 a.m.-9 p.m.; and Saturday 10:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Migdal Ha'emek shops close as owners protest crime wave

MIGDAL HA'EMEK (Hm). — Shopkeepers did not open for business yesterday morning in this Galilee development town as they went on a one-day strike to protest an "insufferable" wave of burglaries in the town.

The owners of about 120 businesses decided on this measure after a meeting in which they said the authorities — particularly the police — are not doing enough to keep their shops safe. They said that at least one shop is burglarized every night and warned that they may start a

long strike if the situation does not improve.

The commander of Nazareth police, Rav-Palek Ja'abir Ja'abir, who is in charge of the Migdal Ha'emek police station, conceded that there were a growing number of burglaries in the town recently. He said that many burglars had been arrested but in the meantime were released on bail until their trials. He repeated the complaint of police officers in other parts of the country that felons commit more offences while out on bail to find the money to hire good trial lawyers.

Owners remanded in boutique blaze case

TEL AVIV (Hm). — Avraham and Ora Avni, the owners of the fire-gutted Pappas boutique in Givatayim, were yesterday remanded for 15 days on suspicion of paying arsonists to set fire to their shop for the insurance fees.

Police told the Tel Aviv magistrate who remanded the couple that all the five men held on suspicion of setting fire to the boutique had visited the place at Avni's invitation before they set a match to the 100 litres of petrol.

The fumes were ignited in an explosion that rocked the residential building in which the boutique was situated.

A lie detector test showed that Avraham Avni was concealing evidence, police said, adding that they suspected him of planning the arson several months before the fire. They also said they wanted to investigate Avni's business connections and his contacts with insurance firms.

A COLD-BLOODED murder was how police termed the alleged killing of restaurant owner Mordechai Teichman by his partner Mordechai Dzuralskavili when asking a Tel Aviv magistrate yesterday to remand the suspect for 15 days. The magistrate acceded to the police request after hearing Dzuralskavili's claim that his deceased partner had pressed the trigger of the pistol which killed him.

POLICE looking for drugs in a routine search in Tel Aviv yesterday found a young man suspected of dealing from the IDF. The 19-year-old is also suspected of possession of drugs.

A TOURIST complained to Jerusalem police that thieves had stolen jewelry worth IL20,000 from his room in the Tirat Bat Sheva Hotel. Another tourist told police that 28,000 Belgian francs and 180,000 Italian lire were stolen from his room at the Hilton Hotel.

AN EMPLOYEE of the customs department at the freight depot at Ben Gurion Airport was yesterday remanded for 10 days on suspicion of complicity in an international million pound smuggling operation.

Ma'ariv suing TV and Yaron London

TEL AVIV (Hm). — "Ma'ariv" yesterday brought libel suits for more than IL1m, against the Broadcasting Authority and Israel TV's Yaron London, for alleged libellous remarks London made on his "Alei Koteret" programme.

The afternoon paper says the libelous London heaped on it for allegedly misreporting a State Department statement he felt was favourable to Israel had materially hurt its reputation. In order to get a quick verdict, it is suing London for IL50,000, so that the suit can be heard in magistrate's court. The libel suit against the Authority will be adjudged by the district court here.

According to "Ma'ariv," London in a press survey on his June 29 programme claimed that "Ma'ariv" alone among the world's papers had left the word "peace" out

in reporting a State Department statement that a Middle East settlement would have to be a peace treaty. London said: "Only 'Ma'ariv' heard differently; it couldn't hear the idea that the State Department spokesman could say something favourable to Israel."

The paper said that afterwards many readers called it up to express their disappointment at the low standard of reporting. It says it wrote the Authority the next day asking for an apology from London, but that on his next programme he repeated his allegations, only apologizing for having claimed the "error" was intentional.

The paper adds in its suit that "this is not the first time London has twisted facts in an attempt to injure 'Ma'ariv's' credibility." No defence brief has been filed yet.

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Angry Yeruham residents protest doctor shortage

Jerusalem Post Reporter

YERUHAM. — A few dozen people took over the Kupat Holim clinic in Yeruham yesterday to protest the lack of efficient medical services in the Negev development town.

Only one doctor lives in Yeruham. Three additional doctors are supposed to drive into town every morning from Beersheba, but residents say they don't turn up every day. The protesters said the local doctor is on vacation, and that since last Thursday they have been without any medical services.

After waiting for a doctor for two hours yesterday, patients broke into the clinic, turned out the three nurses and the pharmacist and closed down the clinic. The clinic's secretary called the Kupat Holim centre in Beersheba and asked for assistance. The centre called a doctor from Dimona and told him to go to Yeruham. The replacement doctor arrived at 1.30 p.m., but was received by an angry crowd.

Kupat Holim officials say they offer good salaries, housing and transportation to doctors who would be willing to settle in Yeruham. Funds are not the problem, they say, but the doctors' response has been disappointing. One doctor is supposed to move to Yeruham in August, but locals are sceptical, saying that after hearing many promises "we will wait and see until we see the doctor here."

Meanwhile, Yeruham residents offered their own solution to the problem. One is that patients needing medical services would travel to Beersheba and Dimona and be reimbursed by Kupat Holim for the bus fares. This proposal has not yet been brought before any Kupat Holim official and it is doubtful that it would be accepted since Kupat Holim is looking for a permanent solution to Yeruham's problem.

Six enemy seamen held until ship sails

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The Coastal Police yesterday placed into preventive detention six sailors of enemy nationalities, who arrived as part of the crew of a Greek tanker. The ship, the Kallipolis, arrived during the night.

The seamen are four Syrians, an Egyptian and a Somali. The Jerusalem Post learned that the men will be allowed to sail with the tanker when she leaves Haifa.

Lahat blasts IDF Tchaikovsky stand

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Mayor Shlomo Lahat yesterday protested that the IDF, which helps film producers stage battle scenes, would not allow use of an antiquated cannon for sound effects at a concert in Jaffa's Bloomfield Stadium tonight.

The Municipality yesterday was still seeking a way to produce cannon blasts for Tchaikovsky's "1812 Overture" without the use of the IDF "Napoleonic" cannon. The city yesterday considered an appeal to the Hagana Museum for a loan of some of their outmoded weaponry. As a last resort recorded sound effects will be used at the Israeli Philharmonic Orchestra's open-air concert.

The IDF refused to allow the old cannon to take part in the concert, claiming that this is an economy

measure. The "1812 Overture," honouring Russia's defeat of Napoleon, calls for live cannon blasts and fireworks.

Mayor Lahat yesterday wrote Chief of Staff Mordechai Gur expressing "great astonishment" at the refusal to allow the cannon's use, "especially as this is the first time the city has managed to organize an IPO concert in the disadvantaged section of town. The proposed concert is a socially-important project, as it might well be the first introduction ever for residents of South Tel Aviv and Jaffa to classical music."

"The fact that the IDF found it proper to aid less socially-minded projects, such as those of film producers, makes its refusal of the municipality's request all the more curious," the mayor writes.

Landrover drove into Sabbath chain by accident, police conclude

BNET BRAK. — The police believe that the "young man" who drove his Landrover into a Sabbath chain barrier on Rehov Hashmonai here on July 1, did so accidentally.

The accident, which resulted in the serious injury of the driver and the death of a passenger, Hersh Attiya, touched off the clashes between religious and secular groups.

Following the accident, a number of witnesses claimed that the driver,

David Pitan, had run his car into the chain deliberately. Although Pitan has yet to undergo lie detector tests, the police are convinced that Pitan's claim that he did not see the chain the night of the accident is true.

Pitan is still at Beilinson hospital where he is being treated for injuries to his spine. He has undergone surgery twice, and more surgery is scheduled. He is still confined to bed, unable to move.

Chagall plans visit to receive award

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Marc Chagall intends to come to Jerusalem to receive his citation as a Distinguished Citizen, and a date for the visit will be set shortly, according to the municipality spokesman.

The 90-year-old artist, recently informed of the honour by Israeli consular representatives and a representative of Mayor Teddy Kollek at his home in France, told them that he was able and willing to come and receive the citation in person, the spokesman said.

Stan Getz arrives

Jazz artist Stan Getz has arrived in Israel for the premiere of his concert tour with Israeli jazz musician Albert Pimentas. Getz, who will also perform with his own quartet in Israel, will appear in concerts organized by Charles Fishman, director of the Israel Commission of B'nai B'rith International.

Probe claim that price rise news was leaked

HAIFA (Hm). — Police are investigating a suspicion that the news of the impending rise in petrol prices was leaked to the owner of a Haifa petrol station.

The man, Nissim Matza, said in a television interview last week that a man who represented himself as a "senior official" showed up at the petrol station on Sunday, July 17, a few hours before the Treasury's new measures were announced. The man whispered in Matza's ear that he should be prepared for an increase in the price of petrol that very night.

Following the broadcast, the Treasury filed a complaint with the police.

DAIRYMAN Zion Kalaf of Moshav Givat Koah will be tried in October on charges of selling milk containing 61 per cent water. He was charged yesterday in the Tel Aviv Magistrate's Court.

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★ Aug. 11, 5 p.m., Tel Aviv Museum
★ Aug. 12, 4 p.m., Tel Aviv Museum
★ Aug. 14, 8.30 p.m., Haifa Auditorium
Special Programme: Mozart, Janacek, Schubert:
★ Aug. 18, 9 p.m., Jerusalem Theatre
★ Aug. 18, 8.30 p.m., Tel Aviv Museum
Vidom Trio:
Dora Schwartzberg — Violin, Mark Drobnisky — Violoncello, Viktor Derevianko — Piano with Gila Yaron — Soprano.
★ Aug. 8, 5 p.m., Tel Aviv Museum
★ Aug. 9, 8.30 p.m., Jerusalem Khan

BEETHOVEN: PIANO SONATAS
★ Kalichstein Joseph
★ Aug. 7, 8, 9, 5 p.m., Tel Aviv Museum
★ Aug. 13, 8.30 p.m., Haifa Auditorium
★ Miodra Katz
★ Aug. 14, 5 p.m., Tel Aviv Museum
★ Palia Salzman
★ Aug. 10, 5 p.m., Tel Aviv Museum
★ Aris Yardi
★ Aug. 2, 5 p.m., Tel Aviv Museum
★ Gerhard Oppitz
★ Aug. 3, 4, at 5 p.m., Tel Aviv Museum

YOSEF TAL:
"The Death of Moses"
BEETHOVEN:
Piano Concerto No. 4
BEETHOVEN:
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Michael.
Tel Aviv: Nathan Zakk
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conducted by GARY BERTINI (by request of the Orchestra, because of illness of Conductor Michael)
South-Germany Radio Choir, Stuttgart — directed by Marianne Voerberg, and Bavaria Radio Choir —
★ Aug. 7, 8.30 p.m., Binyanei Ha'Ooma, Jerusalem
★ Aug. 8, 8.30 p.m., Mann Auditorium, Tel Aviv

BEETHOVEN:
"LIEDER ABEND"
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BEETHOVEN: MISSA SOLEMNIS
Soloists: Heather Harper, Alfred Hodgson, Peter Lindroos, Gunter Reish
RADIO SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA, STUTTGART,
conducted by Gary Bertini
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★ Aug. 7, 2, Jerusalem Theatre
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Somalis claim capture of key Ethiopian towns

NAIROBI (UPI). — Somali guerrillas yesterday claimed they captured three Ethiopian towns and took more than 1,000 prisoners of war as fierce fighting continued in the two-month-old Ogaden desert war.

Ethiopia's military government yesterday conceded that regular Somali troops were occupying most of Ogaden province, and that bitter fighting was going on. A statement by the official Ethiopian news agency said Somalia had sent tanks, airplanes and heavy artillery across the border into the huge province in southeast Ethiopia to aid the ethnic Somalis of Ogaden. This was the first time Ethiopia officially said large areas of its territory were occupied.

In a broadcast on Mogadishu radio, the Western Somali Liberation Front said its guerrillas had captured the towns of Gode, Kebri Dehar and Werder.

"In the fighting a large number of Ethiopian troops were killed, many retreated and many surrendered," the radio said, adding that more than 1,000 prisoners had been captured. Officials in Mogadishu said

fighting for the towns took place in the last few days and the prisoners were still with the Front in the Ogaden, not Somalia itself.

The towns are all deep in the Ogaden, forming a strategic triangle, each controlling important road junctions across the desert. Somali Justice Minister Abdal Salam Sheikh Musayn denied as "baseless allegations" Ethiopian charges that regular Somali troops rather than guerrillas were leading the attack.

The minister warned against possible Ethiopian counterattacks against Somalia saying that the armed forces and the Somali masses are prepared to defend their nationhood and sovereignty against any enemy who might attack.

Ethiopia on Sunday announced a major shakeup in the armed forces and said heavy fighting was continuing in at least four desert regions.

Government troops were "now scoring victories" in the Ogaden, Ethiopian radio said, adding, "the struggle is continuing. Before we gain full victory much blood must be spilled and many sacrifices must be made."

Albania telling Chinese they needn't stay

BELGRADE (UPI). — Eastern European diplomats said yesterday that tiny, isolated Albania has asked China to withdraw its advisers from the country — escalating Albanian strongman Enver Hoxha's quarrel with his only ally into an open break.

A spokesman at the Albanian embassy flatly denied the report. "It's not true," he said. "We have no information like that at all."

The diplomat said Hoxha, a diehard Stalinist who objects to China's improving relations with the U.S., asked Peking to withdraw its technicians and experts over the weekend. Western diplomats who have visited Albania estimate that China maintains between 700 and 1,500 advisers there, most of them working in the army, in textile factories and on collective farms.

There was no immediate indication whether China had responded to the demand.

A final break with Peking would cut off Albania almost totally from the outside world. "But that won't stop them," one diplomat who has visited the drab, dusty capital of Tirana predicted. "They consider it quite possible that they are the only true Communists in the world, and that it's everyone else who's out of step."

Albania has been the oddest man out in the Communist world since Hoxha broke with Soviet leader Nikita Khrushchev, whom he considered too liberal, 16 years ago. The Adriatic nation of 2.5 million people forged a strategic alliance with far away China, then equally isolated. But while China has broken out of its diplomatic shell, Albania has not.

Hoxha was reportedly shocked by China's decision to open contacts with the U.S. He backed the radical "Gang of Four" led by Mao Tse-tung's widow, Chiang Ching, in the Peking power struggle after Mao's death last year — and when the radicals lost, his ties with China soured further, diplomats say.

Two weeks ago, the rift went public, with a veiled attack on China's new foreign policy in the official Tirana newspaper, "Zeri i Popullit."

Albania-watchers were still unsure whether Hoxha really intends to break completely with the Chinese, his sole source of military equipment. But one Yugoslav diplomat speculated that last week's reinstatement of Teog Hsiao-ping, China's leading conservative, might have been the last straw.



China's restored Number 2 man, Deputy Premier Teng Hsiao-ping, seen during Tenth Central Committee meeting that voted him back into office and supreme command of the army last week. China has just completed three days of mass rejoicing at his return and at disgrace of his rivals — Mao Tse-tung's widow Chiang Ching and her "Gang of Four."

Report says U.S. oil firms overcharging by billions

WASHINGTON (UPI). — An independent task force reported yesterday that the government has failed to make major oil companies comply with its pricing regulations, leaving perhaps billions of dollars in overcharges undetected or un-punished.

The task force, formed May 13 by Federal Energy Administrator John O'Leary, said FEA regulatory compliance efforts have been "ineffective" since the 1973-74 oil embargo. It recommended a major overhaul to correct the situation as soon as possible.

Task force chief Stanley Sporkin, who normally is director of enforcement for the Securities and Exchange Commission, recommended that a special team of auditors and lawyers be formed to investigate the 15 largest oil refiners for overcharges and pricing rule violations.

The task force delivered a major indictment of efforts under the Nixon and Ford Administrations to make sure oil companies did not reap windfall profits from the energy shortage. Meanwhile, experts in New York

report a widespread pattern of price cutting has developed for both Middle East and African crude oil since the resolution of the price split in the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (Opec).

"Petroleum Intelligence Weekly" said in its issue yesterday that the price-cutting is far in excess of any normal seasonal fluctuation indicating the Opec decision did nothing to stabilize prices.

"PIW" says official prices of many Middle East crudes are now discounted by as much as 20 cents a barrel, while low sulfur African crudes prices are some 15 cents to 45 cents a barrel below official levels.

Many refiners, over-committed on crude purchases, have been forced to dump "distressed" cargoes at less than cost, "further demoralizing an already sloppy oil market," it says, "and there seems to be little hope for a price rebound before the fourth quarter, if then."

Waldheim's daughter hurt in car crash

LINZ, Austria (AP). — Christa Waldheim, 18, daughter of UN secretary-general Kurt Waldheim, and two other Waldheim relatives were seriously injured in a car smash-up near here on Friday, police said yesterday.

Waldheim postponed a planned trip to China upon learning of the accident, the Austrian Press Agency reported.

Police said the two passengers in the car with Christa Waldheim were: Hilde Ritschel, 60, Waldheim's mother-in-law and Mrs. Ritschel's sister, Valerie Krobeth, 83.

The three were en route to nearby Lake Atter where Waldheim has a house. The accident occurred when the car Christa Waldheim was driving collided with another vehicle, it was reported.

Italian PM to U.S.

ROME (AP). — Italian Premier Giulio Andreotti flew to the U.S. yesterday for talks with President Jimmy Carter expected to focus on the increased policy-making role Andreotti has given the Italian Communist Party.

Andreotti will sit down with Carter today and tomorrow in their second meeting in two months. The Premier is said to bear assurances that his agreement with the Communists does not soften Italy's commitment to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

Hussein, Assad reject Begin peace plan

NEW YORK (Reuters). — Both King Hussein of Jordan and President Hafez al-Assad of Syria have dismissed Prime Minister Menachem Begin's reported peace proposals as not worthy of the name "peace plan," "Newsweek" magazine reported on Sunday. (The Israeli proposals have not been officially announced.)

The two Arab leaders were replying to the same set of questions put to them in their respective capitals last week by "Newsweek" chief foreign correspondent Arnaud de Borchgrave.

King Hussein was asked in Amman what his reaction was to reports of Israel's peace proposals — a deep withdrawal in the Sinai, a more limited one on the Golan Heights, and a semi-autonomous West Bank linked to Jordan but with Israel responsible for security.

The King replied: "There is nothing in this that can be dignified with the term peace plan. These are well-known extreme Israeli positions and (represent) an all too transparent diplomatic device to avoid the real issue."

President Assad said in Damascus that the Begin plan "is a non-starter and has been definitely rejected by the U.S.... Such a plan cannot be

described, by the remotest stretch of the imagination, as a peace plan."

When asked by "Newsweek" if Begin's proposals could provide the basis for talks, King Hussein replied: "Of course not." President Assad replied to the same question: "It cannot provide the basis for anything and Israel has presented these proposals knowing... that they couldn't."

Hussein and Assad differed on the question of a federation of Syria, Jordan and the West Bank.

Hussein said he sees this idea as "farfetched," while Assad replied that he is not against "anything that reinforces Arab unity."

When asked how long he thought Syrian armed forces will have to remain in Lebanon, Assad said: "Things are going quite well now. The skirmishes you have been reading about in the south between Palestinian commandos and Christian militiamen are on their way to a solution."

"We are encouraging the Lebanese and offering all that we can to help the Lebanese build up their own force to replace the Syrian army. It's difficult to fix a precise deadline. Another year may be close to the mark. But it could be longer," Assad said. (Leader — Page 5)

Thais okay instant hit-backs at Cambodian incursions

BANGKOK (AP). — Thailand's central government has authorized immediate retaliatory attacks against invaders from neighboring countries, a senior military spokesman said yesterday. Previously, all such strikes had to be approved by the central government before any action could be taken.

The decision apparently resulted from last week's attack into Thailand's territory by a marauding force from Cambodia. Seventeen persons died and about 90 Thai soldiers were wounded in the incident.

Meanwhile, no fighting was reported yesterday along the tense Thai-Cambodian border although Cambodian troops were still inside what the Thai government considers its territory about 200 km. east of Bangkok.

Fighting in the area erupted last Wednesday. After a bloody initial clash, the Thais have shelled, strafed and bombed the Cambodian

positions but have not moved on the ground against them.

Thai officers at the border town of Aranya Pra-thet told an AP photographer that their side was at a disadvantage against the well-entrenched Cambodian force and that they did not want to risk further casualties by taking ground action.

Thai security officials announced yesterday that Thai and Malaysian troops had captured an important Communist guerrilla camp on Saturday.

The camp, a few miles from headquarters of the combined Thai-Malay force, had been the centre for the 10th regiment of the banned Communist Party of Malaysia (CPM). The guerrillas fled the camp to escape Thai and Malaysian aerial bombings and artillery bombardments, the officials said.

Thailand and Malaysia have a 12-year-old agreement to jointly fight the 3,000 CPM guerrillas operating along the nations' 350-mile border.

Sri Lanka post-poll toll reaches 32

COLOMBO (Reuters). — Thirty-two people were killed in post-election violence in Sri Lanka over the weekend, police said yesterday.

The killings took place between Saturday afternoon and early Sunday during a series of fierce clashes between supporters of rival political parties.

Shops and houses owned by political figures were attacked and looted and several homes were set on fire in and around the central Sri Lanka city of Kandy and in districts near Colombo.

Police Superintendent Frank de Silva said a number of arrests had been made but he gave no total.

De Silva said all the deaths had occurred in the Kandy and Colombo areas, but that no new incidents had been reported since Sunday morning. Police now had the situation under control, he added.

He said a 15-hour curfew had been imposed Sunday night in the far northern district of Mannar because of fears of a communal clash between Tamil Hindus and Moslems.

The new government headed by Prime Minister J. R. Jayewardene, which last week won an upset victory, ordered the closure of taverns, bars and liquor shops throughout the island for two more days.

Sea monster may be shark

TOKYO (AP). — A specimen from the 20-metre Loch Ness like monster netted by Japanese fishermen shows a biochemical similarity to a kind of shark, scientists reported yesterday.

Professor Ryugo Yasuda of Tokyo University of Fisheries said his gas chromatography analysis of the whisker-like particle showed it contains various amino acids seen in *Pseudocarcharias kamoharui* (Linnaeus), a shark with a maximum length of six metres, a spokesman said.

The boat Zuiyo Maru pulled up the two-ton carcass while fishing off New Zealand, and asked scientists to analyse the specimen.

The Zuiyo Maru netted the creature last April. One of the crewmen took several snapshots of it and brought back what appeared part of its fin, but the body was dumped into the sea again because of its rotten condition.

A Yokohama University professor had announced last week, on the basis of the snapshots, that the creature could have been a plesiosaur, a reptile thought to have become extinct more than 70 million years ago.

Blood and sand: War in desolate Ogaden

By WILLIAM CAMPBELL
MOGADISHU, Somalia (UPI). — It is one of the hottest, most inhospitable spots on earth.

Ethiopia's sprawling Ogaden desert is a 240,000 square km. tract of nothing.

It is home to millions of desert lizards, a few stunted trees and several hundred thousand Somali ethnic nomads who have wandered the region with their camels and goats for centuries.

Inexplicably this land, which has been sucked dry by 54°C temperatures and howling winds off the Red Sea, has become Africa's latest flashpoint.

A small-scale desert conflict, unnoticed by the outside world for the

last few years, has suddenly exploded into nearly full-scale war.

If left unchecked, independent diplomatic observers fear the escalating conflict could precipitate a major conflagration on the Horn of Africa which would eventually involve the U.S. and the Soviet Union.

Since the start of June, an estimated 3,000 guerrillas of the Western Somali Liberation Front have poured into the Ogaden, grabbing control of an estimated 60 per cent of the region, tucked into Ethiopia's southeastern corner and comprising a full third of the land area of that nation.

The insurgents, trained, supplied and supported by Mogadishu, severed the vital Addis Ababa-

Djibouti railroad snaking through the Ogaden, which carries 60 per cent of Ethiopia's imports and exports. They have defied increasingly frantic efforts by government paratroopers to reopen the line.

Roaring across the desert in camouflaged trucks, the guerrillas overran government outposts, attacked convoys and infiltrated the area's two largest towns — the ancient walled city of Harar and the important rail town of Dire Dawa.

The guerrillas recently claimed they killed at least 150 Ethiopian troops in fighting around Dire Dawa, destroyed nine aircraft on the ground and shot down a tenth.

The Ethiopians appear ready to strike back — hard. Over the last few

weeks the embattled Marxist government airlifted thousands of troops, many of them belonging to the Israeli-trained Flame Division, into the Ogaden together with advance units of the Cuban-trained 300,000 peasant army, recently unveiled in Addis Ababa after months of secret training.

In its first official communique on the fighting, Ethiopia also claimed major victories.

Addis Ababa said its troops killed "thousands" of regular Somali troops in at least six major clashes, captured many prisoners and tons of military equipment including anti-aircraft guns, mortars, rocket launchers and American-made M-16 rifles.

Thousands of nomads have fled the war-torn area into neighbouring Somalia, bringing tales of casual killings and indiscriminate bombings by Ethiopia's American-built F-5 warplanes.

Hospitals in northern Somalia are full of wounded guerrillas and nomads. Extra Somali doctors and nurses have been sent to the north to help.

The stage is being set for a prolonged and bitter war. The prize: A presently useless desert which may nevertheless hide valuable minerals and even oil under its ever changing surface.

"We have launched our offensive to drive the Ethiopian army out of the Ogaden and we are prepared to fight until the desert sand is soaked in blood," a guerrilla leader said. "The blood has begun to run," he added at the front's pleasant headquarters, an Italian-style villa in this Indian Ocean capital.

The front was formed in 1963. The Somali government actively supports it with both weapons and training, though Mogadishu officially denies this.

The only wall decorations were official maps outlining the dream of President Siad Barre's "scientific socialist" government — that of a "Greater Somalia."

Somali children from their earliest years are impressed with this aim. "Greater Somalia" encompasses the entire Ogaden region, a large chunk of northern Kenya and the newly independent state of Djibouti, where France in June pulled out of its last African colony.

The stakes are equally high for the Ethiopian government of strongman Lt. Col. Mengistu Haile Mariam. Should the Ogaden fall, it would almost certainly precipitate a domino effect through Ethiopia, giving encouragement to the dozen other secessionist and insurrectionist movements.

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Israel vacation for young Britons

Group to present musical

By HYMAN CORNEY
Jerusalem Post Correspondent
LONDON. — Liverpool, city of the Beatles and a couple of rather well-known football teams, is the subject of a musical which will be presented this summer on kibbutzim throughout Israel by a group of 26 young Jews from that city. They have written it themselves and will be performing it free in exchange for board and lodging on the kibbutzim as they tour the country.

The 26 are only a small proportion of the more than 1000 young British Jews who will be spending part of their vacation in Israel this summer under schemes organised and partly financed by the Youth and Hechalutz Department of the Jewish Agency. The majority have not been to Israel before; indeed, many do not even belong to Zionist youth groups.

Though the Liverpool scheme is the most unusual, it is not the only city which is sending a group of youngsters. Manchester, Leeds and Brighton will all be well represented. Their tours have been organised by the local community emissaries who have gone beyond the youth movement and have attracted a wider range of young people.

Most of the well-established movements such as Bnei Akiva, Habonim and the Federation of Zionist Youth are all sending large groups, there are also many organisations which are not strictly (or solely) Zionist in orientation which are participating in summer schemes. These include the Reform synagogues, the B'nai B'rith Youth Organisation (which is sending three groups), Macabab and the Association of Jewish Youth.

In addition to conventional tourist visits, special educational programmes are laid on for the youngsters, worked out by the Youth and Hechalutz Department in Jerusalem. They include features on the Holocaust and on Jerusalem itself.

There are also special leadership training schemes for university students. In view of the massive increase in anti-Zionist activity on campus in the past year, the programme for these students is being geared to provide information on basic Zionism and guidance on how to combat anti-Zionist and anti-Jewish propaganda. Of the 40 places available on this course for the whole of Europe, 35 have been allocated to Jewish students from Britain. There is also a course for a slightly younger age-group, those in their last years at secondary school. This will concentrate more on basic Judaism but the fact that these youngsters will soon have to face the anti-Zionist barrage at university will obviously be taken into account.

But it is not only in the summer schemes that there is increased interest. Gilad tells me that 140 youngsters are going out to Israel within the next couple of months on schemes of up to a year. Thirty of these, compared with only eight last year, are going to the Gold Youth Leadership Training Institute. And here again, they are not only from the traditionally Zionist movements but also from the Reform and from the Association for Jewish Youth, which is more of a sporting and cultural movement.

While naturally delighted with this upsurge of interest, Gilad is nevertheless disappointed on two scores: not enough kibbutzim have places for overseas youngsters who want to spend just a couple of weeks working with them, and a scheme to enable British youth to work in Israeli development towns failed to attract the minimum number of 10 to make it worth while.

The Youth and Hechalutz Department is also involved in another scheme which has just been announced here. In conjunction with British Ort and Ort Israel, it is offering vocational and technical training opportunities for the 16-18 year-olds at Ort schools in Israel.

Described by Ort as "a radical departure," the scheme was into operation on October 1 when it was hoped that 25 Jewish youngsters from Britain will begin a year's course at the Ort School near Kibbutz Ein Harod, where they will be housed. Tuition will be in English at first but later in Hebrew, when they will be integrated into the school's regular classes. The course will lead to a diploma recognised by the Israeli Ministry of Labour and, it is hoped, by technical training authorities in Britain.

BUT THE YOUTH traffic between Britain and Israel is not all one way. The Dublin Jewish Community has been playing host to pupils from the Ezeriah High School who competed in a World Schools Football Tournament held there. In addition, Manchester Jewry has been entertaining 36 members of the Rehovot Youth Orchestra which visited the city in the first exchange since Manchester and Rehovot were twinned. The link between the two places is, of course, Dr. Chaim Weizmann, who spent many years in Manchester and made his first contacts with British Zionism there.

The orchestra gave performances at many schools in the city, attended a reception in their honour at the town hall and were warmly welcomed by the Jewish community. But the highlight for most of them was a visit to the famous Old Trafford Ground of the Manchester United football team, where they were shown some of the trophies, including the F. A. Cup, which the team has won.

To end on a poignant note. Fifteen young Israeli boys and girls, all of whom had lost their fathers in the 1967 or 1973 war, returned home last week after spending a fortnight here as guests of a group run by a handful of women who raised the money for the visit through voluntary donations. During their stay, the youngsters were guests of families in London, in North-West London, and also spent a morning at the House of Commons where they were introduced to members of all parties and presented with a memento of the occasion by Greville Janner, MP.

Fall fashions still feature ethnic look

By PEGGY MASSIN
PARIS (Reuters). — The Paris autumn and winter fashion collections to be shown this week take on an air of oriental magic with Yves Saint Laurent speaking of a new woman as vague and mysterious as "a wisp of opium smoke."

The trend-setting fashion king is expected to give his collection a Chinese theme, with the eastern influence also coming through in designs from other houses. Dominant trends in the haute couture showings, still considered to be the most influential in the world, will be split between designs opting for long, flowing forms, with a more cuts, childlike look, and ultra-slim sophisticated styles with pencil slim skirts.

Folklore and ethnic looks, launched earlier by Saint Laurent in his ready to wear collection, have been copied and adapted everywhere.

This season many designers will continue the trend with big gathered skirts, peasant blouses, kerchiefs and shawls, prints and embroidery. Jules Francis Crayth of Lanvin said his collection is a tribute to the Italian film director, Lucchino Visconti, with theatrical folkloric including big skirts worn over woollen petticoats, quilted jackets, embroidered sleeves and new prints inspired by Oriental carpets.

Hansea Mori, the Japanese designer who inaugurated her Paris couture house last January, is another creator looking east, with echoes of old Japanese folkloric included in her unique prints styled with deep cut kimono sleeves or flowing tunics teamed with loose pyjamas.

Marc Bohan of Dior is making a radical departure from his habitual restrained styling to launch the fall gathered skirt, short waist length jacket or sweater with round childish collar, heavy black stockings and ankle high boots.



The Fjord, in the Gulf of Eilat south of the Red Sea port. (Sunphot)

Colourful projects planned

Holiday homes in Eilat

By SHEILA MELTZER
Jerusalem Post Correspondent
EILAT. — As every jet-setter knows, there is a beautiful hotel called Las Brisas in Acapulco. Set on a hillside, it is made up of luxurious two-room bungalows, each with its own private little swimming pool fed by a stream that runs down the hill. Included among the facilities for the guests are also pink-canopied jeeps, one per bungalow. It is, of course, very expensive.

Not having reached the jet-setter status, the first time I heard of Las Brisas was just after the Six Day War when an American millionaire stopped in Eilat on his way to the Far East — and fell in love with the place. So much so that he was ready to invest here — he wanted to build a Las Brisas at Coral Beach. Unfortunately Eilat was not yet ready for such an ambitious project and everyone thought he was mad.

Since then things here have changed. Eilat has become an internationally known holiday resort. The Mediterranean Club's Les Coraux is one of their most successful and the limpid blue waters of the Red Sea are attracting vacationers from all over the world. The new hotels that have sprung up over the past few years are now showing an enviable occupancy and among the visitors, both Israelis and foreigners, there is a growing demand for something different, something that fits into the easy-going fun-life style of holidaying in Eilat.

One Eilat who himself enjoys this life-style and knows what this clientele wants has been planning for some time to provide it. His name is Arie Dekel — although everybody calls him Daks — and he has already started construction on the Coral Beach Holiday Village and Country Club which will be, he says, an Israeli "Las Brisas."

Situated in the same wadi as the luxurious Laramie Hotel, the Holiday Village will provide either two-room mini-villas or one-room studios. These are for sale, to those Israelis who spend every week-end they can in Eilat and to Europeans who, now that charter flights have made it possible, visit Eilat three, four and five times a year. "Instead of the sometimes restrictive atmosphere of a hotel, which in season is packed and cannot provide the service these people are used to, they will have freedom and privacy of their own holiday homes in Eilat, with all the facilities they want so that they can come here whenever business allows — or just when they feel like it," says Dekel.

"They will have their own swimming pool and tennis courts, a choice of restaurants, a mini-market for home-cooking, discotheques, a solarium for winter sunbathing and even a desert car available for trips into Sinai as well as a private plane service to fly them from Lod and back so that they can spend as much time here as possible," he adds. In addition to the sports hall, music room and reading rooms, etc., there will also be a special projection room so that film-makers in Eilat will be able to watch their rushes as soon as the film has been processed in Tel Aviv and flown back, explains Daks.

During the ten years he has lived in Eilat, Daks has already proved that he knows what the market wants with the successful New Tourist Centre he dreamed up, promoted and executed, together with four other Eilat investors. Known for years in Eilat as "the stables," Daks bought the unfinished foundations of a project abandoned 20 years ago and turned it into Building no.1, the basis of his modern shops and offices complex facing the hotel area. Building no.5 is about to rise, and the coffee shops, boutiques and restaurants in the Centre all report flourishing business.

Daks himself does not intend to run the Holiday Village once it is completed. "There will be a Management and Maintenance Company which will operate the complex, provide maid service and also rent the rooms and villas for absentee owners who want an income to cover the cost of their own holidays," he says. He adds: "I am a promoter. I get an idea, plan it, execute it and then sell it so that I can go onto something new." Thus not only are the units for sale, the whole project is for an investor who is looking for a going concern.

Other ideas still simmering in Daks' fertile imagination is an apartment hotel to complete the New Tourist Centre and a panoramic circular restaurant overlooking the Coral Island. But his next project already has official blessing.

"I'm going to put up a Khan, in the centre of the North Beach hotels area," he explains. "It will be an artists and handicrafts centre, with dozens of small open shops and showrooms surrounding a central, sunken plaza. There will be permanent exhibitions in each of the little shops with weekly, or even daily events in the plaza — orchestras, chairs, pantomime shows, fireworks displays — all sorts of attractions to draw the tourists out of their hotels and to give them something to do, to see, to buy and to remember."

It is difficult not to be infected by such enthusiasm — and seeing what Daks has already done in Eilat one can easily visualise the tourist centre that is certainly needed in Eilat and that Daks' dynamism will no doubt provide.

Rest for an idle finger

Computer-house not home

By KATHERINE WHITEHORN
LONDON (Otns). — There is a loud bang on the door which is the delivery man's response to a broken doorbell. I give up the unequal struggle with three wrong telephone numbers and go and get the papers off the mat. And I read that the day of the personalised home computer is at hand. In a few years time, it says, every home will have one to switch on the light and heat, make the breakfast and alert the householder to the need to order more Scotch.

With a happy cry, I realise I am once again looking at my dear old friend, the House of the Future. Usually it's in white porcelain, of course, is entirely circular and is designed in Denmark or Germany. But the disguise does not fool me. The actual ordinary house that people live in is never going to be like this, not even in California, and I'll tell you why.

First off, the only people who ever get the new labour-saving devices are the ones who already have the old labour-saving devices. I went to an up-market party once and noticed that the lady of the house had saved her labour three times over: namely, she had paper plates and cups, which she didn't need because she had a dishwasher, which she also didn't need because she had a woman in to clean up. If she were now to get a computer to stage-manage all this, she herself would still not be a finger — but it would be the same old finger she didn't lift.

It makes me smart, too, to hear about this streamlined house in which all the thinking is to be done by the machine, when in Europe anyway you can't even programme an architect. Nine kitchens out of ten still haven't got the oven away from the draught from the back door and the average high wall-cupboard is about twice the size of the average up-the-wall housewife. Who do they think they're kidding? The notion that we are about to sit back and leave it to a little brain to do it all for us is grotesque.

For they studiously avoid, and wonder, the question of what happens when your streamlined machine goes wrong. Murphy's First

Law, as we know, states that if it can go wrong it will. Whitehorn's First Law states that the more things a machine controls, the greater will be the mess when it blows its tiny mechanical mind.

I reckon to be something of an expert on what you might call the walking wounded of machine life. I have a refrigerator long declared legally dead: I feel happier with semi-defunct typewriters. And I spent most of last week leaning over the bannisters shouting "what?" at the family (it is known as a problem of communication) because the telephone link between the floors of our tall old-fashioned house was on the blink. But if we'd succumbed to the newest model, which has house phones and outside phones all in one, we wouldn't even have been able to communicate with the outside world. I darkly suspect, too, that all these infra-red grills and electric casseroles and frying pans are not, as advertised, to add luxury to your living. They are simply there as alternatives for when the main cooker goes wrong.

I may not control my house as well as the computer might do it — on its good days. But whatever my faults, the family have a better idea of what to do when I get a brainstorm and start to throw all the wrong switches than they ever will have with an electronic housekeeper. I mean, whoever heard of offering a whisky sour to a computer?

New settlement for Rafiah Approaches

TEL AVIV. — The Bnei Hachalutz, a private farmers' settlement movement, is celebrating today the groundbreaking of a new settlement called Talmel Yosef in the Rafiah Approaches. The settlement will house 40 immigrant families from South Africa. Some of these families are already in Israel and are training in growing tomatoes in hothouses. Each family is investing \$15,000 in the settlement and will receive two dunams of orchards, and one dunam of hothouses in which they will grow tomatoes.

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On faith and froth

FORMER Knesset Member Moshe Ussis, a man of gentle disposition, refuses to believe that the gap between religious and non-religious Jews is unbridgeable. The conflict must surely be between two philosophies, two cultures. As a first step towards understanding, the deeply-religious Ussis proposes to examine, without prejudice, the moral aspects of the opposing doctrines. His own contribution towards the discussion is published in the latest issue of *Molad*.

The religious Jew feels deeply offended when he is accused of "religious coercion." He believes he has a mission in his life; that by observing the precepts of *Mitzvah* he is doing his duty to the nation as a whole. When secular-minded fellow Jews fail to understand him, the religious Jew may resolve to dig into a retreat and live as a silent minority.

The orthodox are warned, however, not to treat their opponents as if they lacked moral values. In his effort to find a common ground for national existence, Ussis is willing to examine the world of the non-orthodox as objectively as he can.

The "romantic" intellectual of the West considers the freedom of the individual as the highest of all values. Politically, the concept of liberty has led to a form of democracy which refuses any constraint on the citizen.

The Jewish concept, however, is diametrically opposed to this, Ussis asserts. The prerogative of the nation is as basic and as important as that of the individual. A Jew, belonging to the "Kingdom of Priests and the Holy Nation," has a duty to serve God. A really free man is one who adheres to the Tables of the Law — as a Talmudic sage put it centuries ago.

On the subject of education, too, there is a profound difference of ap-

proach between the Western (secular) approach and the Jewish concept. In the West, says Ussis, education is a privilege the individual may request from society. Among Jews, education is a duty society owes to those who will continue Jewish national existence.

Finally, Ussis points out, the Protestant view that religion is a matter of faith, of a private relationship between the individual and his God, is in sharp contrast to the Jewish concept of the Kingdom of God in which the individual is bound by the law to follow a prescribed way of life, to adhere to traditions.

Rather than separation, Ussis recommends that the Orthodox will on both sides, the Orthodox and the secular-minded, try to meet each other socially. "What is often presented as faith is mostly froth," Ussis says. He does not elaborate. But, discussing another point, he suggests that the Judaism preached by the ultra-orthodox Neturei Karta gives a "deviate and false" image of what Judaism really is.

Mr. Ussis is a member of a Hapoel Hamizrachi Kibbutz.

THIS ISSUE of *Molad* may be the last in the existence of this prestigious publication.

Molad was first published by the Mafpat party as a monthly. Its editor, Ephraim Eivon, ran it as a high-brow intellectual endeavour, combining current policy analysis with literature. When Mafpat bowed out, Eivon continued with *Molad*, which became a quarterly but in fact appeared at longer intervals. In the last issue, however, the editor announced that "if no reader can provide a realistic idea how to assure its financial position," *Molad* will close with issue No. 250.

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